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# END OF YEAR REPORT



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# A Message from Congressman Henry Cuellar

Dear Friends,

As we near the end of 2021, I want to take a moment and show my appreciation for our community. This year, we have weathered bitter winter storms, COVID-19, and a humanitarian crisis in our backyards. But we have also witnessed the best of humanity in our district. We came together in support of the Espinoza family, who lost their son in Afghanistan. We fought an ever-changing virus that spurred a global pandemic. We passed critical legislation that rebuilds our nation's physical infrastructure while putting money back in the pockets of hardworking South Texans. And most importantly, we reopened our businesses to put people back to work. My friends, thank you so much for an incredible year. Let's continue moving onward and upward!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henry Cuellar". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The "H" is large and loops around the "enry". The "Cuellar" is written in a more compact, cursive script.





# Legislative Update



Bills Introduced

10



Bills signed into law

2



Measures Approved  
by Congress

2



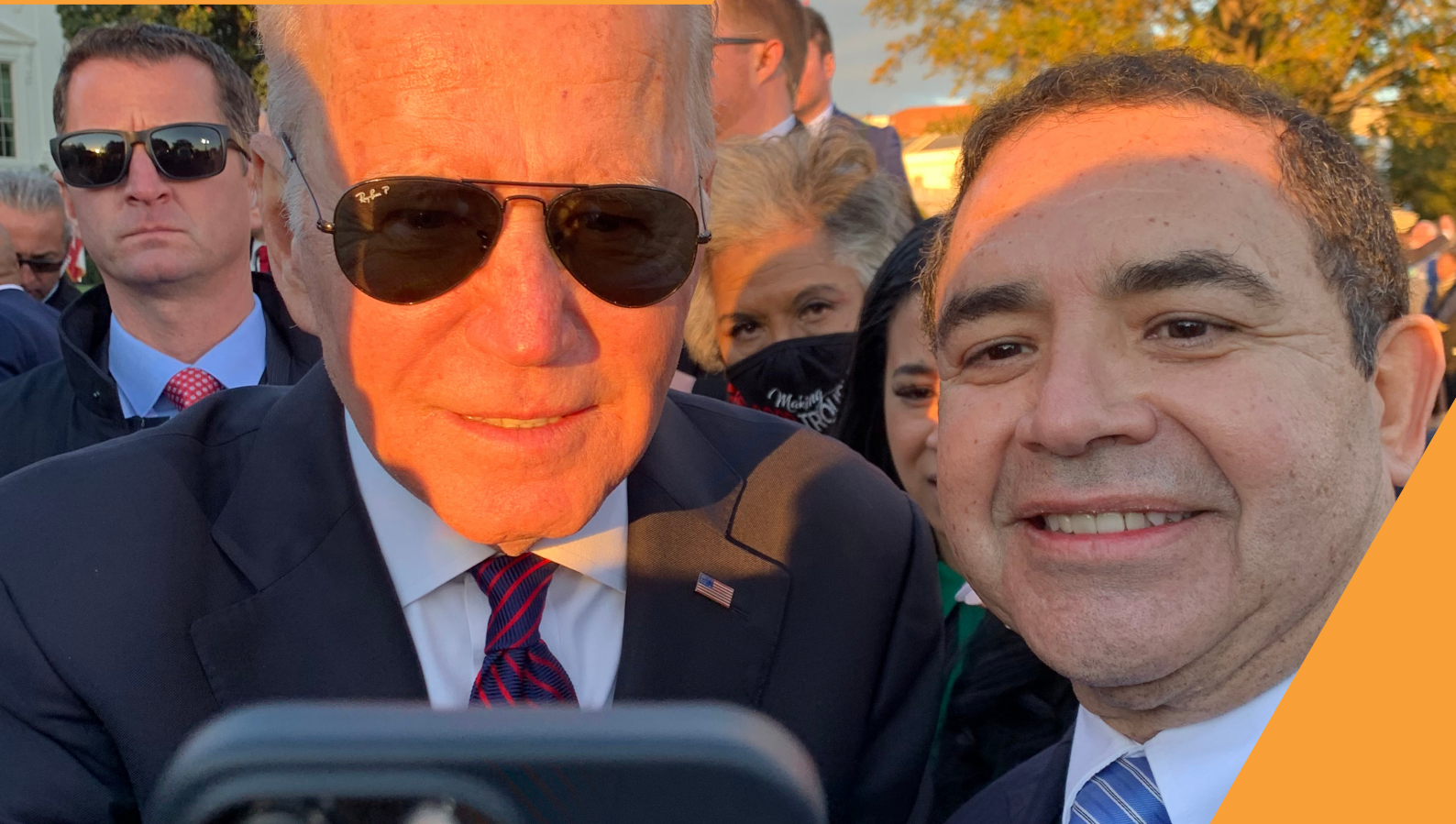
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# Legislative Update



## Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

This year, Congress has worked tirelessly to rebuild our economy.. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act provides \$30 BILLION to the state of Texas to improve its roads, bridges, water and broadband systems. Take a look at some of the exciting provisions in this historic bill:

**Repairing 19,400\*  
miles of highways**



**Reducing Home  
Energy Costs**



**Broadband Access to  
1 MILLION\* Texans**



**Replace Lead Pipes**



**Electric Grid  
Weatherization**



**Improve Public  
Transportation**





# Rep. Cuellar Touts Big Wins for Texas in Appropriations



As a Senior Member on the Appropriations Committee, I am committed to providing funding for much needed projects to better South Texas. Here are just some of the projects I've helped deliver for TX-28 this year:

**Funding Community  
Projects in  
the District**



**Investing in Colonias  
and Underserved  
Communities**



**Funding for Public Schools  
and Higher Education**



**Invests \$2 BILLION  
in Security Tech and  
Ports of Entry**



**Operation Stonegarden  
Border Security Program**



**Improving  
Healthcare  
for Poor and Rural Veterans**



**Investing almost  
\$1 BILLION  
in Rural Broadband  
Services**







## Jaime Zapata and Victor Avila Federal Law Enforcement Protection Act

Special Agent Jaime Zapata from Brownsville, TX was killed in 2011 by Mexican drug cartel members in San Luis Potosi, Mexico. Because of current extradition laws, his killers could not be brought to justice in the United States.

Together with Senator John Cornyn, we introduced the "Jaime Zapata and Victor Avila Federal Law Enforcement Protection Act" to close this loophole, allowing those who inflict harm on our international agents to be tried in the United States. This legislation will provide justice and closure to families of government officials harmed or killed overseas.

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Congressman Cuellar announces  
passage of Protection Act

**BORDERREPORT**

Nov. 18, 2021

President Joe Biden signed the Jaime Zapata and Victor Avila Federal Officers and Employees Protection Act on Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021, at the White House. U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Texas, the bill's sponsor, was in attendance.



# Casework

Every day, constituents call my office for help with federal agencies. My diligent staff works to return lost benefits, retrieve Social Security and tax checks, and solve immigration cases. Here are just a few constituents we helped this year!

Claudia Gonzalez in Mission, TX needed assistance to receive her naturalized citizenship in the United States. She worked with our office and became a U.S. citizen in under a year.



Deborah Hynes in Converse needed a new mailbox, but due to her condition she was unable to replace it herself. She called our office and we had her new mailbox installed, and worked with USPS to personally deliver her mail to her door.



*"It was so nice to get my mail from a mailbox today. Love it. This one is built like a tank!!! I just picked up my mail key and got my mail!!!"*

# Casework



Manuel Cantu's father served honorably in the Army and passed away. Manuel called our office and we were able to present him with his father's Purple Heart award.



# Traveling TX-28

This past year, I've traveled over 11,000 miles in South Texas visiting with officials and constituents to ensure I represent your ideas in Washington. From Laredo to Mission to San Antonio, I am focused on ensuring I represent you in Congress.

Check out a few of our exciting trips into the district below.



*Announcing Stonegarden funding in border counties. This funding helps pay for overtime for officers and enhanced technology to protect our community.*



*Attending the Greenline Extension Ribbon Cutting in San Antonio. This trail connects the Greenline trail to the San Antonio Riverwalk.*



*Announcing small business funding with USDA Undersecretary Xochitl Torres-Small!*



*Meeting with constituents in Zapata County!*



*Speaking at high school graduations in Hidalgo County.*



*Showing off small businesses in San Antonio with SBA Administrator Isabella Casillas Guzman!*

# Henry Cuellar's Work: By the Numbers

**OVER 500**

**Appropriations Provisions to benefit our communities**



**371**

**Cases Resolved**

**17**

**Conversations with Cuellar**

**Nearly \$200,000**

**Returned to Constituents**

**11,623**

**Miles Traveled in TX-28**

**21**

**Grant Announcements**

**2**

**Bills signed into law**







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